

COMMISSIONERS' REGULAR MEETING – MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2024

The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Brian Baird at 10:00a.m. Kevin Walls and Ron West were present.

INVOCATION

Mr. West gave the Invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Baird led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CENTER GROVE SOCCER CLUB – Lease Agreement

Ryan Dorrell was present on behalf of the Center Grover Soccer Club for the approval of the annual lease agreement to lease County property for overflow parking during their 2024 soccer tournaments.

Mr. Walls moved to approve the lease agreement as presented. Mr. West seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

DRUG FREE JOHNSON COUNTY – Approval of Grant Agreements

Treatment/Intervention:

HeavenEarth Church: Recovery Church

Reach for Youth

Tara Treatment, Inc.

Upstream Prevention: Recovery Café

Prevention/Education:

Boys & Girls Club of Johnson County

Clark Pleasant Police Department

Girls Inc. of Johnson County

George JR Republic

Turning Point

Upstream Prevention: ATLAS

Justice/Law Enforcement:

Johnson County Community Corrections

Johnson County Sheriff's Office

Johnson County Juvenile Probation

Franklin Police Department

Greenwood Police Department

Michelle McMahon, Drug Free Johnson County Coordinator, was present via Zoom to request approval of the above grant agreements for 2024.

Mr. West moved to approve the grant agreements as presented. Mr. Walls seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

ELECTED OFFICIALS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS

A. Public Safety Communications

1. Approval of Attend the 2024 Joint NENA/APCO Meeting, March 7th, 2024 in Fort Wayne, Indiana – Overnight Stay

Health Brant, Director, was present to request approval to attend the 2024 first quarter joint meeting of the NENA and APCO Boards on March 7th, 2024 in Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Mr. Walls moved to approve the request as presented. Mr. West seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

2. Approval of IDACS Dependent Agency Agreement with Indiana University Department of Public Safety

Mr. Brant was also present for the approval of the IDACS Dependent Agency Agreement with Indiana University Department of Public Safety. He explained IU Public Safety Department's police officers for their hospitals do not currently have their own terminals for IDACS reporting. He noted they reached out to Johnson County to serve in this capacity following the notification that Marion County was not continuing this service to IU Health.

Mr. Walls moved to approve the agreement as presented. Mr. West seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

B. Superior Court 1

1. Approval of Maintenance Contract with Braden Office Equipment

Judge Kevin Barton, Superior Court 1, appeared before the Commissioners to request approval of the annual maintenance contract with Braden Office Equipment for their department's copier. He noted this copier was recently purchased through a bond.

Mr. Walls moved to approve the maintenance contract as presented. Mr. West seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

C. Clerk

1. Approval to Attend the Southern District Clerk's Meeting, March 12th and 13th, 2024, in Brown County, Indiana – Overnight Stay

Trena McLaughlin, Clerk, was present to request approval to attend the Southern District Clerk's Meeting March 12th and 13th, 2024 in Brown County, Indiana.

Mr. Walls moved to approve the request as presented. Mr. West seconded the motion, which unanimously carried.

2. Approval of Hardware Maintenance Support Contract with Imaging Office Systems, Inc.

Mrs. McLaughlin was also present for the approval of the hardware maintenance support contract with Image Office Systems, Inc. for annual office hardware maintenance.

Mr. West moved to approve the request as presented. Mr. Walls seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

3. Approval of Maintenance Contract with Braden Office Equipment for Voter's Registration

Mrs. McLaughlin was also present for the approval of the annual maintenance contract with Braden Office Equipment for the copier in Voter Registration.

Mr. Walls moved to approve the maintenance contract with Braden Office Equipment as presented. Mr. West seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

D. Recorder

1. Approval of Sales and Maintenance Contract with Braden Office Equipment

Teresa Petro, Recorder, was present for the approval of the sales and maintenance contract with Braden Office Equipment for the purchase of a new color copier. She noted this copier will be purchased from the Recorder's Record's Perpetuation Fund.

Mr. West moved to approve the sales and maintenance contract as presented. Mr. Walls seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

E. Court Services

1. Approval to Attend the 2024 POPAI Management Institute, March 21st and March 22nd, 2024 in Carmel, Indiana – Overnight Stay

No one was present for this request.

Mr. Baird noted there will be 6 employees attending the 2024 POPAI Management Institute.

Mr. Walls moved to approve the request as presented. Mr. West seconded the motion, which unanimously carried.

F. Parks

1. Approval of Big Bounce Fun House Agreements for 2024 Events:

- a. JoCo Total Eclipse in the Park – April 6th and 7th
- b. 1st Annual Vintage Camper Rally & Classic Car Cruise-In – May 4th
- c. 3rd Annual JoCo Pours in the Park – June 1st
- d. 2nd Annual Wet-N-Wild – June 15th
- e. Annual Sparks in the Park – June 28th
- f. 2nd Annual RecFest – July 27th
- g. 2nd Annual Touch-A-Truck – September 21st
- h. Annual CampOween – October 12th
- i. Annual Carni-Fall – October 26th

Kevin Leonard, Superintendent, appeared before the Commissioners to request approval of the above Big Bounce Fun House Agreements for 2024 events.

Mr. Walls moved to approve the agreements as presented. Mr. West seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

2. Approval of Agreement with Brazilian United Soccer for Soccer Camp, June 10th thru 14th, 2024

Mr. Leonard was also present for the approval of the agreement with Brazilian United Soccer for a Soccer Camp June 10th thru 14th, 2024. He explained Brazilian United Soccer will provide the coaches and equipment for the camp and \$10.00 of each registration fee will go to the Park.

Mr. Walls moved to approve the agreement as presented. Mr. West seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

3. Approval of Contract with Pyrotechnics for Sparks in the Park Event, June 28th, 2024

4. Approval of Contract with Farrier Festival, July 18th thru 21st, 2024

5. Approval of Leann's Animal Rescue Petite Pet Pantry Placement at Independence Park

Mr. Leonard remained before the Commissioners' for approval of two contracts and the placement of a pet pantry at Independence Park.

Mr. West moved to approve the requests, pending legal. Mr. Walls seconded the motion, which unanimously carried.

G. Highway

1. Award and Execution of 2024 Mill and Overlay Project Contract

Daniel Johnston, Highway Engineer, appeared before the Commissioners to request award and execution of the 2024 Mill and Overlay Project Contract to Milestone Contractors, L.P in the amount of \$1,695,117.00. He then provided a revised memo that requested an additional contingency of 2% in the amount of \$34,000.00. Luke Mastin, Highway Supervisor, was also present in the audience for this request.

Mr. West moved to award and execute the contract to Milestone Contractors, LP. Mr. Walls seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

2. Approval and Execution of Bridge 56 Amendment 1

Mr. Johnston was also present for the approval and execution of Bridge 56 Amendment 1 which requires additional investigations with a historical and architectural resource survey due to the nature and location of the bridge. Mr. Mastin was also present in the audience for this request.

Mr. West moved to approve and execute the Amendment 1 for Bridge 56 located in Union Township over Henderson Creek as presented. Mr. Walls seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

H. Board of Commissioners

- 1. Ordinance 2024-O-1: An Ordinance Authorizing Distribution and/or Expenditure of the Proceeds of Johnson County's Grant from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 ("ACT") Subject: Professional Services – Drake Road Project**

Mr. West moved to approve Ordinance 2024-O-1 as presented. Mr. Walls seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

- 2. Ordinance 2024-O-2: An Ordinance Establishing the Johnson County I-69 TIF Allocation Fund Number 4501 (Non-Reverting) and the I-65 TIF Allocation Fund Number 4502 (Non-Reverting)**

Mr. West moved to approve Ordinance 2024-O-2 as presented. Mr. Walls seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

- 3. Approval of Letter of Engagement with Waggoner, Irwin, Scheele & Associates, Inc. for Consulting Services**

Mr. West questioned the need for the services being requested with this letter of engagement. He shared concerns of previous attempts to utilize these services for personnel needs and felt this may not serve a purpose moving forward.

Mr. Baird suggested setting up a meeting with the new County Council President to discuss the scope of the request further and table the approval of the letter of engagement until after this meeting has been held.

Mr. Walls moved to table the request until further notice. Mr. West seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

- 4. 2024 Board Appointments to Johnson County Board of Health**

Betsy Swearingen, Director, was present to give recommendations of Dr. James Pease and Chele Heid for appointment to the Johnson County Board of Health.

Mr. Walls moved to re-appoint Dr. James Pease to the Physician board seat and re-appoint Chele Heid to the General Public Position board seat. Mr. West seconded the motion, which unanimously carried.

NEW & OLD BUSINESS

Sheriff – Approval of Grant Agreement with Indiana Department of Health

Andrew Barnhart, Chief Deputy Sheriff, was present in the audience for the approval of a grant agreement with the Indiana Department of Health.

Mr. West moved to approve the grant agreement as presented. Mr. Walls seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Claims and Credit Card

Mr. West noted most of his questions were answered with information provided by the Auditor's Office.

He then moved to approve the claims and credit card charges as presented. Mr. Walls seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Commissioners' Minutes

1. 2/12/2024 – Regular Meeting

Mr. West moved to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Walls seconded the motion, which unanimously carried.

Public Comment — *(limited to 5 minutes per person, please)*

Mike Pruitt, Coroner, appeared before the Commissioners to introduce Valerie Castro, the new Administrative Deputy Coroner.

The Commissioners welcomed Ms. Castro and thanked the Mr. Pruitt for introducing her.

Mr. West noted the passing of Forrest 'Tug' Sutton. He highlighted his deep rooted back ground in public service, including serving as Coroner and EMA Director for Johnson County, and suggested having discussion in the future of naming the EMA building in his honor.

Mr. Walls added the Johnson Memorial Hospital Gala was held over the past weekend and was a big success in fundraising for future strides in mental health care.

Mr. Baird welcomed everyone to follow the Johnson County Commissioners on social media to stay updated on projects and improvements throughout Johnson County.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mr. West moved to adjourn. Mr. Walls seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

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Brian Baird



Kevin Walls



Ron West

**Attest:
Elizabeth A. Alvey
Auditor**

